

# SAXON HOME DEBUT RUINED BY LAGUNA

## Long Runs Featured As Torrance Wins, 19-6

### COOKE RETURNS PUNT 100 YARDS

Torrance High's left half-back, Duane Cooke, took in a punt on his goal line in the first quarter Friday night and traveled the length of the field for a touchdown to lead his Tartar mates to a 19-6 win over Ventura High's Cougars at Ventura, Friday night.

Statistics:

	Torrance	Ventura
Total first downs	11	8
Yards gained rushing	116	141
Yards gained passing	269	30
Total yards gained	385	171
Yards lost penalties	45	20
Net yards gained	340	151
Passes attempted	14	6
Passes completed	8	3
Passes intercepted	1	0
Total fumbles	1	1
Fumbles lost	1	1

Cooke's score was the first of three by the Tartars as they notched their first win of the season in their last pre-Bay League practice game.

### Tartar Bees Top Canoga Pk. 48-0

Both of the other Torrance tallies came on passes from quarterback Mick Babbitt to end Tom Brown, one moving 50 yards and the other 75 yards. The first passing score came in the second quarter to give Torrance a 13-0 half time lead.

A three touchdown barrage in the second quarter was all that was needed by the Torrance High Bee eleven Thursday as they went on to romp over Canoga Park by a 48-0 count in a game played on the local field.

Ventura's only score came on a one-foot plunge after a series of penalties set the Tartar varsity far back into their own territory.

The Tartar babes moved down the field in a sustained drive early in the second period, sparked by Stan Gonta's first down end run, with Gerry Von Steeg plunging over for the score.

Ventura Out Gains  
Aside from the three, sudden, long distance scoring thrusts produced by Torrance the game was played on even terms, with Ventura out-gaining the locals on the ground in final statistics 141-116 yards.

Minutes later Von Steeg plunged into the end zone for his second TD after a 45-yard pass play. Ron Veres to Rich Ford, set up score.

Babbitt's passing provided the Tartars with a big statistical edge, as the quarterback hit eight times in 14 attempts for 269 yards, while the Cougar hurlers connected three times in six tries for 30 yards.

Mainer Intercepts  
The final Torrance first half tally came when Manford Mainer picked off an errant Canoga aerial and galloped 42 yards to paydirt.

With a 20-0 halftime lead the junior Tartars eased up slightly in the third and fourth quarters, striking twice in each of the final periods. Mainer intercepted another pass and went 38 yards for the tally, while Butch White took in one of Veres' passes to complete a 54-yard score.

Final frosting on the Tartar's cake came when Bill Morris trapped a Canoga runner in the visitors' end zone for the two-point safety.

Statistics:

	Torrance	Canoga
First Downs	22	35
Yard rushing	202	35
Yard passing	198	9
Total yards gained	400	44
Penalties	85	10
Net yards gained	315	34
Passes attempted	10	9
Passes completed	7	3
Passes intercepted	2	0
Torrance	0	20
Canoga	0	0
Torrance scoring: TDs: Von Steeg (3); Mainer (2); Gonta, White; PAT: White, Farrington, Gonta, Morris; Safety, Morris.		

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Harbor's only score came in the fourth period when end Bob Cook took a pass in the end zone. Bill Carpenter kicked the extra point.

Statistics:

	Warriors	Harbor
Total first downs	15	12
Yards gained rushing	116	141
Yards gained passing	269	30
Total yards gained	385	171
Yards lost penalties	45	20
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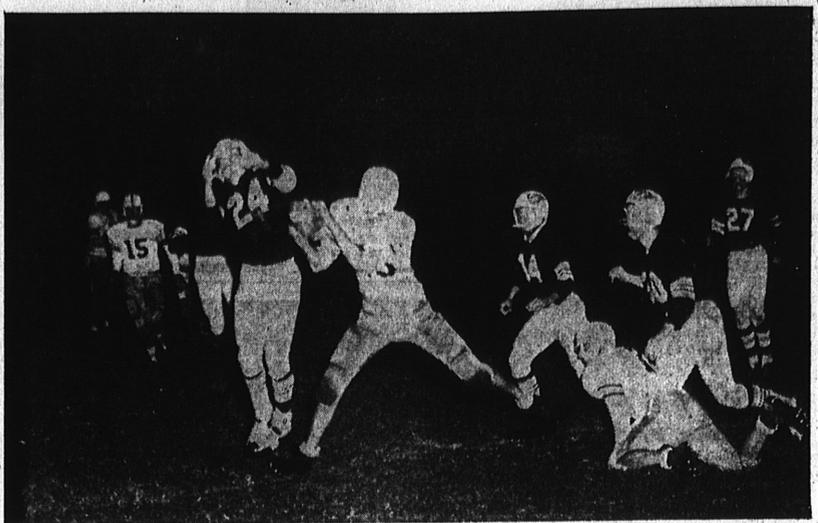
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## TORRANCE HERALD Sports

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PERFECT PITCHER . . . Quarterback Mick Babbitt, top Torrance High ball handler, tossed a pair of long range strikes to end Tom Brown as the Tartars topped Ventura, 19-6, Friday night.



COMPLETE — THE HARD WAY . . . White jerseyed North High receivers put on a prolonged battle with Laguna Beach defenders before Saxon end Dave Campbell, No. 28, wound up on the receiving end of the desperation pass thrown in the last minute of play in the North High-Laguna Beach game at Torrance High Field Friday night. The long pass was intended for the Saxon's Chuck Richardson, No. 7 on the ground, but was partially deflected and passed through the hands of Laguna defender Rich Aravalos, No. 24, who went high into the air in an attempt to intercept.

### ARTISTS TROMP NORTH HIGH BY 33-0 COUNT

North High made its home grid debut at the Torrance High Field Friday night and wound up well battered by the Laguna Beach Artists on the short end of a 33-0 count. The Saxons were slashed and shocked into defeat by wild sweeps of the Lagunans' Bill O'Brien and Rich Aravalos who ran the ends as though the North High flank defenders weren't there.

Laguna held a 13-0 halftime advantage, scoring the first two times they held the ball, while the North High attack was unable to roll. Thus the pace of the game was set, Laguna scoring at almost every opportunity and the Saxons getting deeper into the hole with several costly miscues.

Thompson Runs  
North Torrance won the

the few bright spots noted by Saxon mentor Cliff Graybell in the course of the game. Tife left guard, moving into the backfield in punting situations, got off five fine kicks, averaging 35 yards, which the Artists were able to return for a total of a minus eight yards.

Drive Stops  
The Saxons put together a drive in the second quarter, moving on a pair of passes from quarterback Ray Greishaber to Dave Campbell and runs by Jim Whitley to the Laguna 27 before to incomplete losses ended the move.

By halftime the locals had been outgained a minus three to 135 yards on the ground, and 17 to 101 yards in the air. The Artists took the second half kickoff and drove 51 yards in five plays to run the score up to 19-0.

North Torrance caught fire briefly on the return kick as Thompson took the ball on his 20 and plowed through Laguna tacklers to the Saxon 40. Runs by Whitley and a completed toss from Greishaber to Campbell moved North High to the Laguna 44 but an interception stopped the drive.

More Misery  
Additional misery for the locals came early in the fourth period when a fast rushing Artist linesman intercepted a Saxon pitch-out and went 28 yards for another score.

Desperation passes by North High in the closing minutes had no favorable result except that one was picked off and turned into another Laguna score, while five others fell incomplete.

Statistics:

	North High	Laguna Beach
Total first downs	18	12
Yards gained rushing	18	264
Yards gained passing	35	162
Total yards gained	53	426
Yards lost penalties	40	77
Net yards gained	13	349
Passes attempted	17	14
Passes completed	1	2
Passes intercepted	1	0
Fumbles lost	1	0

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### Random Ramblings

By ROGER BOEDECKER

After a little thoughtful talk, loud protestations, and wild accusations, a quarterback, or booster, club will be operating in the Torrance area again. And, Dr. Hull, this writer had absolutely nothing to do with it.

The club is being reorganized. Reorganized because, you see, it has been an established group for several years. Just not too active in recent seasons.

An organizational meeting will be held Wednesday night, Oct. 10, at the YMCA building, Arlington and Plaza Del Amo, at 7:30 p.m. Any persons interested in supporting the high school athletic programs in Torrance are invited to attend.

I hope one of the first aims of the re-activated group will be the elimination of some of the uncalled for comments frequently heard at the local prep games. Directed at the coaches, these comments indicate that the speakers have little knowledge of the handicaps under which the local mentors are forced to operate.

Abbreviated seasons, lack of physical facilities, and little interest, or co-operation, and over-all integration of the athletic programs on the part of those administering local systems are but a few of the major liabilities.

Perhaps, just perhaps, an interested booster group could work it out so some time, in the near future, Torrance teams will be permitted to compete on equal terms with other schools.

### Program Starts Flag Football

Torrance's Recreation Department started its annual flag football program last week. Geared for after school evenings, and Saturday sessions, the program is being conducted at McMaster Park, Torrance Park, and Walteria Park.

Recreation personnel are stationed at all of these areas to register any team interested in participating in the leagues.



A FISH IN HAND . . . Al and Able Coast, left and right above, had their hands full of blue fin tuna after a recent ocean angling excursion. Al landed two, one tipping the scales at 38 lbs., 10 ozs., and the other weighing in at 30 lbs., 2 ozs. Abe boated the other three, coming in at 31, 32 and 34 lbs.

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Santa Monica 13, Centennial 7,  
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